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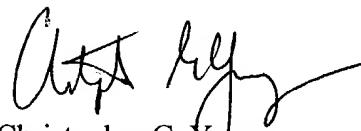
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CLARIFICATION REGARDING COMMENTS ON PTO-1449

1. In response to a letter received June 10, 2004, the Examiner is providing the following comments to clarify the Reasons for Allowance mailed March 29, 2004. The clarification relates to the inclusion of the English-language translation of the Korean Office Action discussing the references listed on the PTO-1449.
2. The Examiner has considered the references cited on the form PTO-1449 to the extent that they are in English. That extent being a title, a brief description of the embodiments, and a description of the references from an English-language translation of a Korean Office Action dated August 20, 2003, in which the references were cited.
3. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."
4. The Examiner regrets any confusion that may have been created in view of the original comments made in the Notice of Allowability.
5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher G. Young whose telephone number is 571-272-1394. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mark F. Huff can be reached on 571-272-1385. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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